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1. A computerized system comprising:
a computer having at least a processor and a memory;
a multimedia device operatively coupled to the computer; and,
a pointing device operatively coupled to the computer and having at least one control to control the multimedia device.

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2. The computerized system of claim 1, wherein actuation of a control causes the computer to change a functionality of the multimedia device associated with the control.

3. The computerized system of claim 1, wherein at least one of the at least one control comprises a control selected from the group of controls consisting of a button, a slider, and a wheel.

4. The computerized system of claim 1, wherein the pointing device is selected from the group of pointing devices comprising a mouse, a touch pad, a trackball, and a joystick.

5. The computerized system of claim 1, wherein the multimedia device comprises an optical disc player capable of playing audio compact discs.

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6. The computerized system of claim 1, wherein the multimedia device comprises a tuner.

5 7. The computerized system of claim 1, wherein the multimedia device comprises an amplifier operatively coupled to at least one speaker.

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10 8. A computerized system comprising:
a computer having at least a processor and a memory;
a multimedia device operatively coupled to the computer;
a pointing device having at least one control to control the multimedia device
such that actuation of a control causes the computer to change a functionality associated
with the control,
15 wherein the pointing device is operatively coupled to a corresponding port of the
computer through which all communication between the pointing device and the
computer occurs.

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20 9. The computerized system of claim 8, wherein the multimedia device is selected
from the group of multimedia devices comprising an amplifier operatively coupled to at
least one speaker, a radio tuner, a television tuner, and an optical disc player capable of
playing audio compact discs.

10. The computerized system of claim 8, wherein the pointing device is selected from the group of pointing devices comprising a mouse, a touch pad, a trackball, and a joystick.

5 11. The computerized system of claim 8, wherein at least one of the at least one control comprises a control selected from the group of controls consisting of a button, a slider, and a wheel.

Sub B3 10 12. A pointing device for a computer operatively coupled to a multimedia device, comprising:
a housing;
at least one mouse button disposed within the housing;
a component disposed within the housing to signal directional movement to the computer; and,
15 at least one control disposed within the housing to control the multimedia device.

Sub F1 20 13. The pointing device of claim 12, wherein actuation of a control causes the computer to change a functionality of the multimedia device associated with the multimedia control.

14. The pointing device of claim 12, wherein the pointing device is selected from the group of pointing devices comprising a mouse, a touch pad, a trackball, and a joystick.

5 15. The pointing device of claim 12, wherein at least one of the at least one control comprises a control selected from the group of controls consisting of a button, a slider, and a wheel.

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10 16. A pointing device for a computer operatively coupled to a multimedia device comprising at least one control to control the multimedia device.

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15 17. The pointing device of claim 16, wherein the pointing device is selected from the group of pointing devices comprising a mouse, a touch pad, a trackball, and a joystick.

18. The pointing device of claim 16, wherein actuation of a control causes the computer to change a functionality of the multimedia device associated with the control.

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